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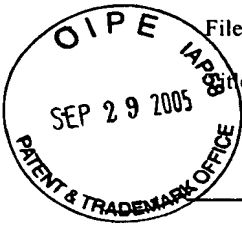
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MEASUREMENT APPARATUS

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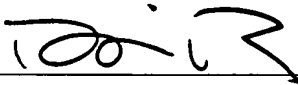
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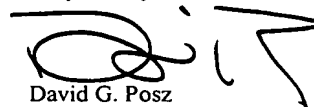
Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the reference(s) listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 is/are being brought to the attention of the Examiner without any admission that it/they constitute(s) statutory prior art, or without any admission that it/they contain(s) subject matter that anticipates the invention or renders the invention obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art.

Further, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e), the undersigned hereby certifies that the listed reference(s) was/were first cited in a Communication (copy enclosed) from a foreign patent office in connection with a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement. Please note that the references JP-A-2002-131433, JP-A-2002-40139, JP-A-2002-22827, and JP-A-H09-236661 were already cited in the information disclosure statement filed with the present application on December 2, 2003.

Although no fees are believed to be due at this time, it is respectfully requested that any such fees be charged to Deposit Account 50-1147. Also, the Examiner is requested to initial the attached PTO Form-1449 and to return a copy of same to the undersigned attorney as proof that the listed reference(s) has/ have been considered and made of record.

Respectfully submitted,



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## REFERENCE DESIGNATION

## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS
	5,798,727 (counterpart of JP-A-H09-178848)	08/25/98	Shirai et al.		

## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

## TRANSLATION

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS	YES	NO	
										Eng. Abstract
		JP-A-S61020877	01/29/86	JAPAN						X
		JP-A-2002-122669	04/26/02	JAPAN						X
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		JP-A-H06-109842	04/22/94	JAPAN						X
		JP-A-H07-191143	07/28/95	JAPAN						X
		JP-A-H06-109841	04/22/94	JAPAN						X
		JP-A-UM-H03-121399	12/12/91	JAPAN				Spot transl.		

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## OTHER REFERENCES (including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)

	Two (2) Office Communications from JP Patent Office dated June 28, 2005.
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